WEDNESDAY, JAN. 26, 1850.

and with the "Custom House Satistics for the Year 1858." ures. The total amount of imports (as predicted by us in our lassue of December L) shows a falling off from last year of \$40,550,-35, while the exports have increased \$141,555 98. In order that our renders may compare the imports and exports since 1855, we annex a table showing the totals for 1855, '56, '57, and '58 : 1856. 1856. 1857. 1858. Dorta\$1.306.255 89 \$1,152,412 99 \$1,130,165 41 \$1,069,606 06

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In this connection we would observe that the Collector General, as heretofore, includes in his list of "domestic exports" an estimate of "supplies furnished to whalers, merchantmen and men-of war," at so much per vessel. This procedure we have never regarded as strictly legitimate, and we know of no other country in the world where such an item is suffered to find its way into the trade schedule, or permitted to give weight on either side in estimating the "balances of trade." It strikes us that it would be fully as reasonable to estimate the amount of foreign goods, boots, pea-jackets and son'westers purchased in the mar-ket by whaling seamen, and include it in the Item of "foreign

It is a striking fact that the imports from the United States-Pacific side, which in 1855 fell short of those from the Atlantic side, have ever since that year considerably exceeded them, and the excess seems to be enlarging itself from year to year—thus, in 1858 we have \$43,011 more from the Pacific than from the Atlantic side. The imports from Great Britain show a material illing off from those of former years.

Of our domestic exports, the most striking improvement is in the article of sugar, which in 1858 runs up to 1,204,061 lbs, a figure which has never before been reached in the history of the Islands; the nearest approach to it was in 1843, when the sugar export footed up 1,145,010 the.

The comparatively large sugar export of last year was not ocasioned by any sudden speculation, neither by an extraordinary yield of old fields, but by an awakened interest manifested by our producers and capitalists towards this hitherto perfected branch of our agriculture, resulting in the extension of old plan-tations and the establishment of new ones on a permanent and solid basis. There is yet vast room for improvement, and we hope ere many years to chronicle the yearly export of ten mil-lion pounds, instead of a trifle over one million, as at present. The export of codee, it will be perceived, shows a falling off from 1857 of 253,686 hs; but this discrepancy excites no sur prise, as from the commencement of that year our planters have been struggling in vain against the withering effects of the "blight." There is every reason to hope that future years may display a decided improvement, and we trust that those interested will not tire of their efforts in the coffee culture, since it has been proved that our soil produces the finest coffee on the globe. The San Francisco papers received by the bark Frances Palmer, arrived on Sunday, teem with statistics and yearly

schedules of all descriptions in any manner affecting the trade and traffic of San Francisco. From these tables we glean the following facts relating to our Sandwich Island intercourse with that city and the other Pacific ports of the United States: The exports from San Francisco to Honolulu for 1858, as colated from the Custom House books, were \$275,620, which was \$22,000 less than in 1857, and \$24,000 more than in 1856.

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The arrivals at San Francisco from Honolulu numbered 25 vessels, the average of whose passages was 15 days, the shortest being that of the Yankee, in 11 days, and the longest the John Marshall, in 30 days. The total amount of the freight lists of these 25 vessels footed up \$29,390.

The export of lumber from the Coast to Honolulu, amounted to about 2,200,000 feet, which was about the same as in 1857, and senewhat less than in 1855 and 1856, as near as we can asce

The passenger movement, as given by the San Francisco pa-ers, is undoubledly wrong as regards Honolulu; it is given at 34 departures and 16 arrivals; the true number would be nearer 250 each way, with a trifling excess of arrivals over the depart-The treasure imports into Honolulu for 1858, are differently

given in three California papers, viz: the Shipping List, Mercantile Advertiser, and the Alta California-the three statements placing the totals at \$78,668, \$96,672, and \$172,183. clined to think that it is the correct one. We are at a loss to The following table will show the difference in our import of a

lew leading articles for the years 1857 and 1858 : FLOUR-1,762 bbis. less in 1858 than in 1857. BARLEY - 800 bags more in 1858 than in 1857. Sarregues\_718 M "

Take it all in all, one year's business, as shown in the above of competition, which we have so often noticed.

The Frances Palmer, from San Francisco, brings a light

wight. Both the Palmer and Metita are advertised for San Francisco, and will sail about the same time, competing for what little freight is now offering, and which would no more than half The Marilda, a fine little schooner of about 90 tons, arrived

on Friday last from New London, after a long and stormy passage. She will probably engage in the coasting trade among the Islands, and will no doubt become as much of a favorite as the Moi, Maria or Kalama. Henry Brigham, from San Francisco, and the Morning Star, from Marquesas. The Melita brought a fair freight for this

port, and the Henry Brigham, in ballast for Jarvis Island, In general business this last week, there has been but little joing, and no animation at all in the market. We quote: SUGAR-Sales of 20,000 fbs No. 1, for export per Angenett

for Vancouver's Island, on private terms. The stock at closing is light; crushed is quite low, jobbing at 12jc.

OATS—Sales at auction, ex Melita, at 2jc., a good figure.

POTATOES—Bodega potatoes, per Melita, sold on the wharf

not be made except at a loss.

BUTTER-The supply of native has again given out.

HONGKONG MARKET.

PORT OF HONOLULU, H. I.

Jan. 20 Sch Libeliho, for Tillo.

20 Boss. what Turku, Sederblom, to cruise.

21 Am. edg. bark Tankee, Smith, for San Francisco.

22 Am. sch San Diego, Croston, for a cruise.

23 Sch Excel, Antonio, for Kanai.

23 Sch Kamel, Wilbur, for Lahaina.

24 Am. clip. ah Henry Brigham, Dow, for Jarvis Island.

25 Sch Maria, Molteno, for Lahaina.

25 Sch Kekaninohi, Marchant, for Kona.

25 Am. what Maria Theresa, Coop, to cruise.

Report of Morning Star.

Morning Star left Ebon on the 17th December 18th, and Biginni 19th. Crossed the more eavy gale from 8. W., in which lay to 16 hours under storm mil only. 18th, bat \$1 ° 33 N., 174 ° 30 W., experienced another gale from the southward, heavier than the first; in this was have to also for 16 hours. 18th, int. 30° 10, long. 164° 40 W. took a third gale, from W.N.W., which blew near as hard as

N.R., finally to N.E., in lat. 80°50 N., long. 166°20 W., which continued until we made the land, the night of Saturday, 22d, being the most severe of all; lay to all night under storm trysail, fore topmast staysail and balance mainsail, the sea very high, and everything well wet down, from Lady Faith to the

man at the wheel. Made Molokai January 23d, at half-past 12; Onhu, 2.30, P. M., and anchored off the har at 7, P. M. Left at Ascension, October 5, ship Hope, Gifford, N. B., 400 sp., bound S.W. and New Zealand. Spoke, October 28, bark E. Coring, Rotch, N. B., 38 mos. out, 900 sp, last from Tahiti; had een newly coppered; was bound south. November 2, lat. 40 N., long. 171 ° 19 E., saw three large sperm whales, bound At Strong's Island, October 12, bark Jos. Butler, White, New Zealand, 250 sp and 120 cocoanut oil, bound east. Cleared from San Francisco, Jan. 4, sloop Splendid, jr., Claire, for Honolulu, by M R Roberts.

IMPORTS.

From San Francisco—per Frances Palmer, Jan. 23—32 pkgs boots, shoes, &c, J Barnett; 10 pkgs mdse, J H Strauss; cider, vinegar, saddles, cigaritos, candy, gioves, hams, vitriol. hats, hoop skirts, Lyous' ale, whiskey, lime, garden seed and rope, J Paty, rope, wheel spokes, sewing machines, pilot bread, gumpy bags, rassins, onious, corn meal, pork, hams, and I horse, Wm Stott; 100 M shingles and 25 bags potatoes, D C Waterman; 17 cases mdse, to order; 100 casks ale. J C Spathing; 2 bales mdse, A Harris; 20 boxes candles, 2 cases boots, 7 cases mdse, C A & H F Poor; 100 boxes raisins, S Savidge; 4 pumps, 75 cases, 5 trunks mdse, R C Janion; 50 bags potatoes and a lot stores, G T Lawton; 40 kegs and 23 bbis liquor, 6 baskets wine, 1 cask wine, 1 bale corks, I case cordials and 1 case bitters, C L Richards & Co.

VESSELS IN PORT.-JANUARY 26.

I. B. M.'s sloop Calypso, Montresor. Am bergantine Angenett, Studley. Am bark Melita, Polleys. Am bark Frances Palmer, Paty. WHALERS

8 merchant and war vessels, 13 whalers,-Total, 21.

PASSENGERS.

From San Francisco—per Frances Palmer, Jan. 23—Mr and Mrs Reiners, Mrs Tennant, Mrs M Force, Miss Mary Benedict, Wm Tiffany, Masters W and C Benedict, Wm Fisher, Thomas Bennet, James Reed, J Tast, Geo Beckley and Capt John Paty.

From Lahaina—per Maria, Jan., 21—P H Treadway, Rev C Andrews and son, Mr Unna, Mr Pease, 2 Chinese, and 68 on For Lanaina-per Kamoi, Jan. 22-H M Whitney and daugher, S. H. Dowsett, J. Haverkost, Mr. Hoffmann, and 10 on deck From Kacai—per Excel, Jan. 22—T. C. Marshall.

Vessels Expected from Foreign Ports.

Sloop Splendid, jr., left San Francisco for Honolulu, Jan. 4.
Am sch Vaquero, Newell, is over due from Melbourne.
Am clipper bark Sachem, Atkins, sailed from Boston Nov. 8,
Pierce & Co.'s line of Packets.
British brig Emma sailed from Liverpool, Aug 23, for Fraser
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From London, about Jan 15, ship Scotsman, for Fraser River.
Ships Phantome and Queen were advertised to leave London all Sept., for Fraser River, touching at Honolulu.

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Ship Pizarro would probably leave Liverpool, Oct. 1, for Honolulu, to R. C. Janion.

From Bremen, in all January, clipper brig Kohala, Corsen, to fit for whaling, by Hoffschlaeger & Stapenhorst

From Bremen, early in March, clipper brig Aloha, to fit for whaling, by Hoffschlaeger & Stapenhorst.

Am. ship Modern Times, of H. A. Pierce's Line of Packets.

left Boston for Honolulu, via Tahiti, August 5.

In this city, Jan. 24th, ALFRED McKov, a native of Boston Mass., aged 27 years.

## THE PACIFIC Commercial Advertiser.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27. For several years past our California friends have been fishing for the whaling trade, but beyond an occasional nibble of a feeble sort, they appear to meet with no more success than did the

fisherman of old, of whom we read that he "B alted his book with a dragon's tail And sat on a rock and bobbed for a whale."

This want of success in their efforts to attract the whaling trade to San Francisco has considerably puzzled the journalists of that city, and from time to time they utter a pathetic lament that after all the efforts which have been made by the Legislature of California, to induce whalers to make San Francisco their rendezvous they still refuse to be coaxed, and bestow the advantages of "this immense interest" on the Sandwich Islands. The Alta California in a recent article on this subject says:

"The cause of this is to be found rather in the defective nature of the maritime laws of the United States, and the advantages taken of these defects by a species of petti-fogging lawyers, who infest all seaport towns, hunt up the sailors in their boarding-houses, make them believe, whether they will or not, that they have been cruelly and shamefully treated during the voyage, and that by a resort to legal proceedings large sums in the way of damages might be recovered. It is for this reason that the masters of the whalers cruising in the North Pacific avoid this port, from the dread of being detained here by vexations litigation, or losing their crews altogether. In the foreign ports which they now frequent they are exempted from all such anoyances. If a sailor should desert, the Captain has only a make application to the Con-sul to insure his immediate arrest and prompt deliv-ery on board. If the laws of the United States could be modified so as to give that protection to the American captain which he enjoys in fcreign ports, San Francisco would become the depot of the whaling trade of the North Pacific."

"The Legislature is now in session, and if proper action were taken in the premises at once, there are some grounds for indulging in the hope that something might be done in the natter by Congress, though this is the short term, and expires by law on the 4th

California has received many and substantial acknowledgments of the golden harvest which she has poured into the lap of the United States, in the shape of the fortifications, light-houses, a navy yard, a mint, etc., but it would seem to be asking rather too much in the way of special favors, that the Marine Laws of the Union should be altered for her sole benefit, especially when it is more than problematical whether the "immense interest" itself would be benefitted thereby. Under the United States Maritime Laws at present, a scaman who ships for a foreign voyage, may, on the return of the vessel to any port of the United States, demand his discharge, and so long as this is the case no such port can become a rendezvous and place of refreshment for the American whaling fleet. It is true that a civil action may be brought by the master or agent for a breach of contract, but whaling masters are just the last class of men who wish to be annoved with lawsuits. Besides, what would be gained by sueing a penniless sailor, in the absence of a law of imprisonment for debt? Governor Weller. in his annual message to the Legislature, remarks as follows upon this subject :

"The apprehension that sailors may desert is now more imaginary than real. It is a notorious fact, that in the port of San Francisco sufficient numbers of seamen can be obtained for any voyage. Within the past few years, no vessel has experienced serious difficulty on leaving that harbor, for want of a sufficient crew. It is quite probable that heretofore difficulties have been thrown in the way of shipmasters, and temptation presented to seamen to desert, but these causes have been partially removed, and by the creation of a tribunal similar to that existing in New York, may be wholly obviated."

We remember hearing a shipmaster relate his adventures in San Francisco a year or two since. in which there did not appear to be much of imagination. He anchored at Saucelito and, without stopping to furl the sails, two-thirds of the entire crew put their chests into the shore-boats which crowded alongside and coolly bade the Captain good morning. His subsequent endeavors to regain his men were utterly fruitless, and after being sorely annoyed and fleeced by lawvers -the men actually sueing for their share of the oil on board-the Captain was glad to get away and come to Honolulu shorthanded. The Gov. ernor says " it is a notorious fact that in the port of San Francisco sufficient numbers of seamen can be obtained for any voyage." True, but they are old merchant sailors and man-of-wars-men, and altogether the wrong sort to make whalemen of. Besides, the charges for shipment and advance wages are extremely high in San Francisco, and for a whaling voyage would be utterly out of the

But the Governor has most magnific ideas of the importance of the whale fishery of the North Pacific, probably obtained by counting the number of vessels which appear in the New Bedford Shipping List, and supposing that they all con-

centrate here every fall. He says :-"The advantage of obtaining this immense trade must be apparent to all, when it is remembered that six hundred and fifty vessels, of the largest class, manned by over eighteen thousand seamen, and reprecenting a capital of more than twenty millions of dollars, are engaged therein. Every class of the community is deeply interested in making San Francisco the depot of this immense fleet."

In summing up the paramount advantages o San Francisco over Honolulu as a whaling rendezvous, the Alta says:

"It is much nearer to the whaling grounds that lonolulu-drafts on New Bedford can be obtained here at a less discount than at the Sandwich Islands -vessels can always be found here for the tranship ment of the year's catch, and supplies can be pro-cured at less rates than at any of the islands of the Vessels leaving the Northern whaling ground

would probably reach San Francisco a week or ten days sooner than they would the Sandwick Islands. To a merchant vessel, bound for a market or to secure a freight, this would be an important consideration, but with a whaler it is quite different. The former, with all sail set rises above the horizon, and scuds along for its destined port, making the most of every slant of breeze, while the latter, its home and occupation being most emphatically "on the mountain wave." takes things leisurely, and be the wind fair or foul, rarely carries sail, unless to claw off a lee shore.

Secondly-drafts on New Bedford could no well be obtained at a less discount than at the Sandwich Islands the past season, seeing that exchange ruled at par about the entire season We have heard, however, of a few outside transactions during the first part of the season as high as five and seven per cent. discount, but latterly par has been the rule.

Thirdly-vessels have always been found her for the transhipment of the year's catch, and the past season there has been a surplus of fine clippers, while freights have been easy. Fourthly-it may be true that most of the

regetables needed by whalers can be procured in he San Francisco markets, of better quality and cheaper than in Honolulu, but the assertion can not be substantiated in regard to such other supplies which are required by whalers.

Another consideration, which is lost sight of ov our neighbors across the water is, that the narket of San Francisco is a very fluctuating one -to-day, everything dog cheap-to-morrow, famine prices. Even vegetables, confessedly superior to ours of some kinds, are not always either cheap or plenty.

Finally, our California friends may rest assured that without a total change in the existing order of things, they cannot hope that the whaling fleet will forsake the snug harbors, delightful climate and good accommodations of the Sandwich Islands for the fogs and chills, the petti-fogging lawyers, and the landsharks of San Francisco.

Commercial Table. We present below our usual annual compara

tive view of the commerce of these islands, em bracing the statistics of the past thirteen years, so far as obtainable. In our commercial column will be found some reflections which have been suggested by a careful examination of this and the tables furnished by the Collector-General of Customs. It is a source of congratulation that the statistics of trade for 1858, show a much healthier condition of imports and exports, relatively, than those of the previous three or four

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EXCELSION !- We had the pleasure of an introduc ion yesterday to Wm. H. Tiffany, Esq., late from San Francisco, who is the agent for a San Francisco house. who in their turn are agents for a well-known Baltimore Gas Company. Mr. Tiffany has brought with him per Frances Palmer, a portion of the machinery equisite to the erection of gas works in Honolulu. with a view to lighting up the whole city. An application has been made to government for the exclusive privilege of making and selling gas in Honolulu for fifteen years, being an extension of ten years over the time at present allowed by law. We understand that favorable answer has been returned to the application, and that a Joint Resolution will shortly be brought up in the Legislature, authorising the extension asked for. To Mr. Macfarlane, of this city, is due the credit of having been the first to prove the practicability of a gas enterprise here, and we hail as sure omen of success the fact of his name being the first in the list of petitioners for an act of incorporation. Mr. Tiffany informs us that if the pplication is successful, he is prepared and authored at once to commence operations for the erection of works. We learn further that the company intend to adopt the policy of fixing their gas at as low a figure as possible, in order that its use may become niversal. The material used by the company for the manufacture of gas, is any kind of vegetable oil. and the inventors in Baltimore state that the oil exressed from castor beans, which is so abundant here, superior to any other for this purpose. Thus, with a little addition of machinery in the shape of an oil press, gas can perhaps be afforded cheaper here han in San Francisco or elsewhere. We trust that the new enterprise will succeed. In this connection we may mention that the inter-island steamboat contract is said to be in a fair way to be concluded. We see an electric telegraph cable between here and Lahaina in the dim distance. Excelsior !

NOTES OF THE WEEK.

ANOTHER ARGUMENT.-The following, which we copy from the New London Chronicle, is probably the most forcible argument yet advanced in favor of San Francisco as a depot for whalers, but one that has been overlooked by the papers of that city, when discoursing on their advantages. It is presumable that Capt. Kibling "fell among thieves" during his pojourn there, who may have satisfied him that because the owners of his ship, Messrs. Smith and Perkins, failed-during the crisis of 1857, he could do as he chose with his vessel and cargo. We will only add, that it would have been a very difficult matter for Capt. K. to have done the same thing in any port

ARREST OF A WHALING CAPTAIN .- F. Kibling, late master of the bark N. S. Perkins, who sailed from this port on a whaling voyage in May, 1857, was yesterday arrested on a suit of the owners, charging him with having fraudently broken up the voyage, and disposed of the cargo, stores, provisions and equipments of the ship, and appropriated the pro-ceeds to his own use. It seems that Capt. Kibling abandoned the whaling voyage on which he sailed, went into San Francisco, sold the oil and bone, the provisions and whaling gear belonging to the ship, chartered the ship for a year, taking payment in advance for part of the charter party, and now returns. He gives no account of the money received. For want of \$20,000 bail he was committed to the jail in

FROM LAHAINA .- We learn that Messrs. Turtor and Lockwood of Lahaina, have started a whaling company and located their station on the northeast part of Kahoolawe. They are well provided with all the necessary apparatus for taking, and taking care of the whales. And by being out of the way of some of the most seductive influences, that have served to defeat other parties, hope to get a fair share of oil. We hear also of two other stations being taken on Maui, and think it more then probable that, that is about all that will be taken, judging from the past The schooner Dolphin was lost on Kahoolawe on Saturday night whither she had gone with a load of about 200 sheep, belonging to Messrs. Allen and Wyllie. The schooner was run into an anchorageand chain paid out, but owing to some mishap sh went on the rocks, and is a total loss. About 50 or 60 sheep were lost also. We learn from Mr. Merrill, that the schooner was run in to anchor and came to in a good place, and while engaged in getting out a stern kedge, they noticed the schooner was dragging. The kedge was then taken out forward, but on hauling came home, showing that there was no holding ground for the anchor-the swell set the schooner on to the beach, where she lay when Mr.

-By Mr. S. H. Dowsett, who returned this morn ing from a visit to Kahoolawe, we learn that the schr. has been broken entirely up. The sheep which had been landed were being devoured by the wild dogs, and only about 100 of the entire lot remained, with little prospect of their being kept from destruction by the

THE NUUANU VALLEY CEMETERY .- From the state ment of the Rev. S. C. Damon, it appears that the above cemetery, which has for so long served as a place of deposit for the dead of Honolulu, has become fully occupied, so far as the space reserved for strangers and seamen. Several meetings of the association were held, though but few of the original members are on the island or still living. On Saturday evening quite a large meeting of residents was held in the Bethel, when a statement was made by one of the association that he had in his own name, and on his own responsibility engaged an admirably situated lot, nearly opposite the present cemetery, for the purpose of a burial ground. Still there appeared, however, at the meeting, a considerable opposition to locating the new cemetery at that place, and Pauoa was suggested by some and Waikiki plains by others. After a considerable discussion, the subject was referred to two committees, one on the behalf of the residents and one on that of the association. Those committees are to meet this evening and will probably come to a decision in the matter.

THEATER .- The theater was crowded from pit to done with emptiness on Saturday night last to witness Miss Granice in some of her very best characters. "Milly, the Milk Maid," "Scene from Pizarro," and "Our Gal " with songs and dances, were the entertainments offered; and, notwithstanding the beggarly | those interested in the welfare of Hawaii. The old number present, the pieces went off with an effect adage in this case holds good, that "the lookers on entirely creditable to the manageress and her company. Miss Granice is a lady of rare merits as an actress and manageress, and has established for herself an enviable fame in California, and made a most favorable impression upon the theater going public of Honolulu, who will, no doubt, yet reward her as she Independence. It is indeed a sad and humiliating deserves to be, with crowded houses and rapturous applause. On next Saturday night, Mr. G. Bennett is to have a benefit. The bill of fare will doubtless be a good one. Miss Granice, we learn will appear on | fought its way to manhood, and achieved an honorthe occasion, as will also nearly all the dramatic talent at present in Honolulu. Mr. B. is a very good

actor and a worthy young man. Give him a bum-SINGULAR .- Capt. Dow, of the clipper Henry Brigham, informs us that to the windward of the Island of Molokai and also in the channel between that Island and Oahu, he passed great numbers of fish lying dead on the surface of the water. At first he thought it nothing unusual, but on observing that they extended over a distance of forty miles, he thinks it could only be attributed to some powerful submarine volcanic cruption, which is possible, though no earthquake nor any unusual sensation has been felt on shore. During one of the eruptions on Hawaii some years ago, we remember that the published accounts recorded the fact of fish having been found dead on the surface for miles away from the localities where the lava entered the sea. But the occurrence noticed by Capt. Dow, must be attributed to some submarine

MICRONESIAN FOOD .- We have received from som friend, a piece of the compressed fruit of the pandanus tree, which is used as food by the natives of Micronesia. The present specimen was brought from Apian, the residence of Rev. Mr. Bingham, by the Morning Star, and we learn that himself and wife subsisted principally on this kind of food for some time previously to the arrival of the packet, their own supplies having given out. It is quite palateable, and looks and tastes somewhat like ti-root, but we can't say that we should like it as a steady diet.

Severe, Bur Just.—O day last week a native clerk in a dry goods store was found guilty, before Justice Davis, of purloining fifty cents and several vards of "Turkey Red." Instead of receiving his punishment in the shape of a fine, which, his relations being in good circumstances, would have been promptly paid, he was ordered to hard labor for fifteen days on the public works and to pay a fine of six dollars. The fifteen days in the pashao are more keenly felt than would twice that number of dollars

"SHALL WE HAVE HOSPITALS?"-Read the touching communication in another column with the above heading. We are assured that the case narrated is a fact. Can a more powerful argument be sought to show the absolute and immediate necessity of the long-talked-of public hospitals, and the criminal neglect of those whose duty it is, and who alone are empowered to institute them?

"THE ADVERTISER ON RUSSIAN POLICY."-We have been promised a refutation of the Polynesian's article of last week under the above heading, but ircumstances prevent our authority from appearing this week over his own name.

ERRATUM.-In an item last week about an apple shown to us from Kona, Hawaii, for "diameter" read circumference. Our types made the apple grow in size amazingly in a very short space of time, -" seven or eight inches in circumference" is quite large enough for the first apples grown on Hawaii.

The clipper barks Melita and Frances Palmer, are posted for San Francisco, the Melita to sail on Thursday next, and the Frances Palmer to sail soon. They are both fine vessels with good accommodutions, and gentlemanly commanders.

We are under obligations to Capt. John Paty and D. C. Waterman & Co., for papers and memoranda received per Frances Palmer.

New Enurries on Hawaii.—By passengers who arrived this morning from Maui and Hawaii, we learn that a new eruntion has taken place at the volcano. As near as we can learn, the eruption broke out on Sunday last, and passengers on the Manuokawai say that from Kawaihae, it appeared to be in a new locality from the last eruption, and on the southwest side of Mauna Loa. The light was first observed at Lahaina on Sunday, and distinctly seen on the two following nights.

FUNERAL OF A FIREMAN.—On Tuesday last, Firemen turned out in uniform to attend the funeral of Mr. Alfred McKoy, a member of "Mechanic" No. 2. The coffin was placed on the truck of " Protection" No. 1, and was drawn by No. 2's men, escorted by "Honolulu" No. 1, and followed by the "Hook and Ludder" Company, to the cemetery in Nuuanu Valley. The Chief and First and Second Assistant Engineers were present, and took part in the cere-

We are indebted to the courtesy of the Direc tor and Foreman of the Polynesian office, for the use of the Custom House Tables inserted this week.

(Correspondence of the Pacific Commercial Advertiser.) Letter from Boston.

Boston, December 1, 1858. My DEAR COMMERCIAL :- Winter is upon us ! and other earth has fallen, a passive victim to his chill caress. "He never told his love, but let congealment like a worm in the mud, feed on his damaged cheek." For which quotation overhaul your "Pilgrim's Progress," and when found &c., -and cold, and white, and stiff, she lies clasped in his icy arms. He comes in state, not stealing upon us unawares as is sometimes his won't, but with old Boreas, the leader of his band (of wind instruments) blowing his loudest trumpet, and frost, and ice, and snow, in full uniform as his staff. To one who has so long made his home in regions tabooed to his approach, where the naked summits of Mauna Loa and Haleakala are the only spots on which his feet are permitted to rest as he strides over the globe, and where the hot breath of the fiery Goddess Pele withers him if he oversteps the sacred circle, the presence of the ice god and his train is a novel and awe-inspiring sight, strongly uggestive of flannel waistcoats and woolen stockings. I venture into his precincts with dread, and his glassy stare sometimes so confuses me, that I hardly know whether I am on my head or my heels, and sometimes suddenly and involuntarily find my position

in this respect reversed.

cold weather are prohibited by the constitution, thank your stars and the king that you are permitted to live in a clime where these two great evils cannot be brought upon you even by the negotiators of a "French Treaty." Yet winter has its charms to those accustomed to its annual visits, and to see the beaming and eager countenances of the juveniles, as they " do hope it is going to snow," and "do wish it would freeze," and get out their skates and sleds in anticipation of the happy event, one would suppose that this to them was the most joyous season of the year. Children of a larger growth too, look forward with eagerness to the amusements of winter, especially that of skating, which has now become so fashionable with the young ladies. One firm alone in this city last season, sold over ten thousand skates, at prices from fifty cents to twenty-five dellars per bankments and flood a portion of Boston Common for a skating ground, and the extensive exclosure of the Agricultural Society, also, has been leased for that purpose, and great races of skaters are expected to come off on the mile trotting track on these grounds, or, as it may then be more properly called,

Ye fortunate denizens of Hawaii, where slavery and

The trial of the mutineers of the whaling bark Junior has resulted in a verdict against Plumer, the ringleader, for murder, and against the others for manslaughter. The trial excited much interest, and an array of eminent legal talent was employed in the defence of the mutineers. The trial of some of the crew of the whaleship Cortez, for setting her on fire, is now progressing. The news of the negotiation of the Treaty with

France is received here with universal regret by always see more than the players," and the strong public sentiment against it shown by the Honolulu community is fully sustained by the opinions of the friends of the Hawaiian Government here, who look upon it as a deplorable flinging away of the Nation's result, that this nation after all the struggles to maintain its existence during its infancy, and the obstacles and perils through which it successfully able position among the Independent Powers of the earth, should thus be voluntarily emasculated by its own Ministers and forced down, not by outward pressure, but by the stupidity, or weakness, or treachery, of its advisers to a subordinate position, from which it will be almost impossible again to raise it! How can we account for the fact, that the Hawaiian Nation in the prime of a vigorous manhood, with a patriotic and educated sovereign of distinguished talent and ability, has now tamely submitted to encroachments on its liberties, which were so often vainly attempted in its feebler state, under the rule of his less gifted predecessor? Had the king not been deprived of the wise counsels of the late Chief Justice Lee, this unfortunate result would never have been consummated. That great and good man on his return from his mission to the United States taxed his dying energies in battling against this nefarious Treaty, which had been drawn up during his absence. Had his life been prolonged, there is little doubt but that it would have been rejected by the king, and the people have been spared from this incubus, which, like the old man of the sea. will deprive them of their volition, and extra supplying its voracious demands. But May June The Commercial Advertiser is always a welcome

and entertaining visitor, and its matter and typographical appearance is often the theme of praise with those who see it on my table, and who are surprised to find so business-like a sheet issued from such a distant quarter of the globe. At our last advices from there, you were rejoicing over the birth of the Atlantic Telegraph, and had fired a salute of 100 guns in honor of the event. What would Cant Cook say to that? It was indeed a wonderful achievement, but we have done bragging about it here. The child hasn't learned to talk yet, and seems to be tongue-tied. Some of its medical attendants fear it is going to be deaf and dumb. Its hair has been in demand for Brooches and Rings, and even parts of its body have been taken for this purpose, and perhaps the young one feels so much "cut up" by this treatment, that it has taken the "sulks" and won't "peak"—opinions differ in relation to the complaint and the result, and nobody but Time can decide "where Doctors disagree." But my hands are freezing, as you may have surmised from the stiffness of my style. Let me thaw them out before the fingers get snapped off, like those of the Plaster of paper" on reading this tedious yarn, you may hear again from

STRONG'S ISLANDS, May 22, 1858. MR. H. M. WHITNEY-DEAR SIE :- In your Advertiser of Feb. 4, 1858, under "interesting from Micronesia" there are some errors of date and fact which should be corrected.

The Morning Star came into our harbor Sept. 8th and not the 11th. That "grand feast" you speak of was Mr. Covert's and not the Rotumas. You say the Rotumas went to the feast "musket in hand." This was not true. They went to the feast entirely unarmed. Hence the reason for the Kusaiens securing so many muskets and so much ammunition. The Rotumas had left it at their houses entirely un-

Captain Lawrence of the Com. Morris did not take off the two white men as you state. The two white men, Messrs. Covert and Johnston, were taken away by Captain Coffin of the bark Roscoe, N. B.

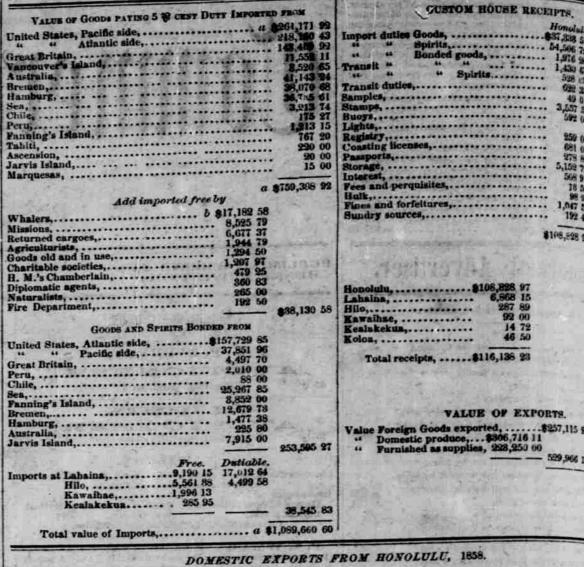
Be kind enough to give the above an insertion in the Commercial Advertiser, and oblige.

Yours truly, B. G. Snow.

P. S.—Mr. David Kirkland of Baltimore, having resided some 8 years or more upon this island, died here the 15th of last March. Mr. Francis C. Lawton of New Bedford, died here Oct. 26, 1857, of a wound received during the war.

B. G. S.

USTOM HOUSE STATISTICS PREPARED BY W. GOODALE, COLLECTOR GENERAL OF CUSTOMS



VALUE OF DOMESTIC PRODUCE. 

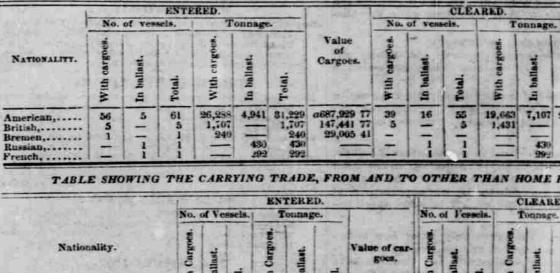
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Total value of Exports and Supplies, ..... NATIONAL VESSELS AT HONOLULU, 1858.

39,800 Kukui oli, galis. 449 Hoofs, Ds. 5,925 Pumpkins, 35,901 Melons,

Steamer, St. Mary's, Brig, Alcibiade, Vixen, Steamer, Retribution Stm. frigate, Frigate, Nov. 6, British, Frigate, MERCHANT VESSELS AT THE PORTS OF THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS, 1858. RILO. KAWAIHAR KRALAKEKUA KOLOL. No. Tons. No. | Tons. 

4,554 1,992 1,718 LAHAINA.



Value of Cargoes invoiced at over \$5000. San Francise Yankee, Candace, Raduga, Young Greek, Fanny Major, Hamburg, San Franc Boston, San Francisco

a In the sums marked thus, about \$60,000 of the Syren's cargo is not included, as two of the principal constible to close their entries, and the duties were not paid by them previous to closing the books for 1856.

b In this sum, \$9,457 79, landed free by the Hawalian whalers, is included.

MR. EDITOR :- There is an old proverb which save. " one-half of the world does not know how the other half lives." In this world of Hawali nei it may justly be said that one-half of it does not know how the other half dies.

A few days ago there might have been seen passing down King street a hearse, conveying to its last resting place the remains of one of the Hawaiian race, followed by a long and respectable procession of friends and mourners of the deceased

Solemn and silent they walked alongto perform for their departed friend the last, but not the least, important duty-a Christian burial. Contrast with this scene the following :

On this same island, and near the same time, poor, aged and infirm widow is lying stricken down by sickness-no house near her for miles, no one t administer to her wants, save her youngest son, boy of some nine years. For weeks she has lingered on. The poor boy finding his neglected mother sinking fast, and could not in the course of nature exist many hours longer; he leaves the painful scene, while he passes over a journey of forty or fifty miles for his eldest brother to come and take the last farewell of his dying parent. There she lays for two days and one night all alone, cared for by none, seen by none, save He who will judge this world according to its sins without distinction. Both sons reach their dying

mother only in time to witness her b Add to such a scene in this, a Christial hole is dug by the hands of her out coffin or shroud, her remains are de until called hence by Him who knows all sees all things. It will then be made b day of retribution, on whom rested the " Have pity on them, for their life Is full of grief and care; Ye do not know one-half the west The very poor must bear."

HONOLULU, Jan MR. EDITOR-SIR :- " I'll praise the carries me safely over," is an old prove contrary of the proposition I suppose The temporary bridge on Namanu Street one of that which leads to the Mahomme over which the true believers safely !" scene of an accident two days since which volved the loss of two valuable horse valuable neck or limbs belonging to the der. Passing over it with a team, the chance the slight temporary railing. way and one borse went over the bridge, he could draw the other and the wages he was released from harness and fell to So far, so good, but afterwards on relating rence to the gentlemanly Supervisor of

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MEMORANDA.

24 - Missionary packet Morning Star, Brown, - days from 27.—Schr Kamol, fm Lahnina; Moikeiki, fm Kahului. Manuokawai, fm Hilo. 26.—Am whish Cincinnatti, Williams, to cruise. DEPARTURES.

both the former put together; and E.S.E. under a close-rected together, and part of the time rected formall, for 36 hours, the vested formation fore and aft. This gale was accompanied with very lotent squalle and much lightning. Sunday night, January 16,

mry 11. January 8, lat. 51 ° N., long. 176 ° 42 E., took a